

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS****Justification and Approval  
Under****Simplified Acquisition Procedures (SAP)  
Simplified Acquisition Threshold (\$3K to \$150K)  
For Restricting Competition under FAR 13.106-1(b)(1) "Single Source"****1. Contracting Activity:**

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**2. Nature of the Action Being Processed:**

This procurement under Purchase Request 653-12-4-137-0375 is for a Online Critical Care Nursing Certification Courses for Roseburg VAMC. These courses are required for critical care nurse certification.

**3. Description of Supplies or Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:**

Purchase Request 653-12-4-137-0375

ENMOUSER- Essentials of Nurse Manager Orientation End User  
EPHARMUSER-AACN Critical Care Pharmacology End User License  
ECCOSL3Y - One Year Site License

**4. Statutory Authority Permitting Restriction in Competition:**

The statutory authority for restricting competition under SAP, or Single Sourcing, for acquisitions under \$150,000 or Simplified Acquisition Threshold (SAT) is 41 U.S.C. 253(c), as implemented by FAR 6.302-1(b)(1)(i) Unique supplies or services available from only one source or only one supplier with unique capabilities. The specific reason for restricting competition is this is an exclusive certification requirement, only the American Association of Critical Care Nurses can provide this required professional nursing certification. This justification is where in accordance with FAR 6.001(a), acquisitions conducted under FAR 13 for SAP are exempt from the requirements of FAR Part 6, but still require a justification using the format of FAR 6.303-2, IAW the VHA SOP for Other Than Full And Open Competition dated 3-22-2011.

**5. Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):**

Only the American Association of Critical Care Nurses can provide this required professional nursing certification. There is a reasonable basis to conclude that the agency's minimum needs can only be satisfied by Unique supplies or services available from only one source

or only one supplier with unique capabilities. The supplier in this case is the American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACCN)..

**6. Description of Efforts Made to Ensure that Offers are Solicited from As Many Potential Sources as Deemed Practicable IAW FAR 13.104:**

Not Applicable: the American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACCN) certification is required and only available from AACCN.

**7. Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable – IAW FAR 13.106-3:**

The catalog price of AACCN products was reviewed and the price offered is consistent with the listed Government price schedule..

**8. Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or Statement of Reasons Market Research was not Conducted (FAR 10):**

The American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACCN) certification is required and only available from AACCN.

**9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Restriction of Competition:**

The American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACCN) certification is required and only available from AACCN.

**10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:**

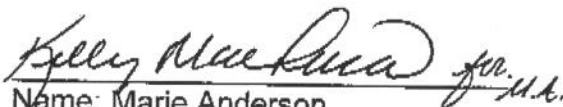
None

**11. Statement of Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making Subsequent Acquisitions for the Supplies or Services Required:**

Not Applicable: the American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACCN) certification is required and only available from AACCN.

**12. Requirements Certification - IAW FAR 6.303-2(c):**

I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a bonafide need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

 *for. u.s.*

Name: Marie Anderson  
Position: Administrative Officer  
Roseburg VA Medical Center

September 27, 2012  
Date

**13. Approvals IAW VHA SOP 3.22.11:**

- a. **Contracting Officer's Certification: (required)** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

  
Name:

9/27/12  
Date

Contracting Officer  
NCO 20 Supply Team A Acquisitions Team

- b. **NCM/PCM/DESIGNEE:** I have reviewed the foregoing justification and find it to be complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief and recommend approval for other than full and open competition.

  
NCO 20 Supply Team A Team Manager

9/27/12  
Date

Acting